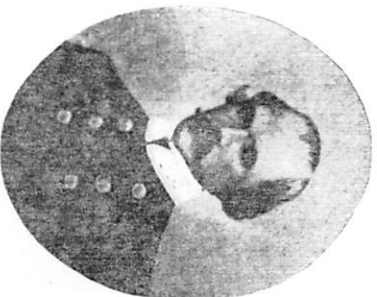


ing of the hostile reception given the United States troops on the threshold of the Territory, and of the unfair methods by which his advance was being opposed. He also intimated that the Governor had been guilty of tampering with the mails, "intercepting public and private letters." The Governor answered, denying that he had intercepted any letters, and reminding the Colonel that the Government itself was responsible for the stopping of the mails. He justified the mode of warfare by which the citizens were defending their homes, and commanded the troops to leave the Territory, offering to assist them to reach Fort Hall or to retire within reach of supplies from the East. In conclusion the Governor invited the Colonel and his officers to visit Salt Lake City, without troops, promising them a safe escort to and from the town, with courteous treatment during their stay.

General Johnston Arrives.

It was not until the first week in November that General Johnston joined Colonel Alexander on Black's Fork. Johnston was a great commander and soon infused new life and energy into the baffled and half dispirited troops. Spurning the idea of departing a single point from the direct route through the mountains, he at once ordered a forward movement to Fort Bridger.



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